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U.S. Mint Lifts Household Order Limits on Silver Proof Set

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Sellout Nears for 1999 Proof Sets and SBA Bags

Washington, D.C. – Director Philip N. Diehl today announced that the U.S. Mint has lifted household order limits on the 1999 Silver Proof Set, allowing unlimited sales of the last numismatic set this year featuring the 50 State Quarters.

"The phenomenal popularity of the 50 State Quarters has made it a challenge to make our product available to all Americans as fairly as possible," said Diehl. "Consistent with our policy throughout the year, we've kept a close eye on sales volume and the pace of sales, and now feel everyone has had a chance to purchase at least two of these beautiful sets," Diehl said.

The Mint four times this year has increased or lifted household order limits on products after initially restricting sales to allow all customers an opportunity to buy those products before they sellout. This included the Delaware and Pennsylvania Commemorative Covers; the 9– and 5–Coin Proof Sets and Uncirculated Set; the Coin 8Die Sets and 1999 Susan B. Anthony Proof Coins; and now the 9–Coin Silver Proof Set.

As of December 14, Silver Proof Set sales had reached 463,900 sets, or 58 percent of expected production. Total sales of the 9–Coin Proof Set had reached 2,140,000, or 85 percent of expected production. Sales of the 1999 Uncirculated Set had reached 1,056,000 sets, or 70 percent of expected production.

The Mint also announced the sellout of all 50 State Quarters Coin and Die Sets. More than 90 percent of the remaining 1000–coin and 25–coin bags of Susan B. Anthony Dollars have been sold, with a sellout expected in the next two weeks.

To order the 1999 Silver Proof Sets and other coin products call 1–800–USA–MINT or visit the Mint's website at www.USMINT.gov.

Expedited orders can be placed by calling 1–800–USA–MINT for an additional cost of \$10.00. Expedited orders are available only via 1–800–USA–MINT.

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